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TAPERED PROSTHETIC SPINAL DISC NUCLEUS

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[origin: WO9962439A1] This invention is a prosthetic spinal disc nucleus (20) for implantation into a nucleus cavity of a spinal disc. The nucleus cavity is defined by an opposing pair of vertebral bodies, and an annulus. The prosthetic spinal disc nucleus has a formed hydrogel core (22) configured to expand from a dehydrated state to a hydrated state. The hydrogel core is wedge shaped in at least the hydrated state. The constraining jacket (24) surrounding the hydrogel core is flexible, but substantially inelastic, and has a generally fixed maximum volume less than a volume of a nucleus cavity such that the constraining jacket is configured to prevent the hydrogel core from conforming to an annulus upon hydration.

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